


REMARKS

The Office Action dated June 1, 2006, has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment has been made in response thereto. Claims 9, 14-18, 22-26, 30-33, 44, and 48-51 stand allowed. Claims 1-3, 5, and 7 stand rejected, and claims 4 and 8 are objected to as depending from a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In view of the allowable subject matter, the limitations of claim 8 and intervening claim 7 have been incorporated into claim 1 and claims 7 and 8 have been canceled. Consequently, all remaining claims 1-5, 9, 14-18, 22-26, 30-33, 44, and 48-51 are now allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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